COMMAND, CONTROL & COMBAT SYSTEMS
BAA 07-008

Questions and Answers

(As of 31 January 2007)

Question #1: Is there any interest in the development of an overarching C2 architecture and GUI that would serve as an integrating framework/testbed for these component technologies?

Answer #1: A white paper on this technology would be responsive to BAA 07-008.

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(As of 06 February 2007)

Question #2: Can a white paper address more than one area?

Answer #2: Yes, a single white paper can be submitted that addresses more than one thrust or sub-area. Specify all relevant thrusts and sub-areas in your white paper submission.

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Question #3: Are fund allocated for this program?

Answer #3: Yes, funds are allocated for the C2CS program. See page eleven (11) of the BAA.

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Question #4: A BAA for the C2CS program has come out every year for the past few years, and awards are made each year. Is there a way to find out what has been awarded so that offerors can avoid submitting identical or similar ideas?

Answer #4: This is a Freedom of Information Act request. See http://www.onr.navy.mil/about/foia/process.asp for information on the process.

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Question #5: There was a separate briefing to government and FFRDCs. Is industry in direct competition with in-house and FFRDCs?

Answer #5: Government entities, FFRDCs, industry and academia can be prime offerors on white papers for funding in the C2CS Discovery and Invention program. Industry and academia prime offerors respond to BAA 07-008 while Government entities and FFRDCs respond to the FY08 Guidance.

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Question #6: What is the expected down-select for 1) number of white papers accepted for orals, 2) number of orals accepted for full proposal, and 3) number of proposals selected for award.

Answer #6: As stated in paragraph IV.1.c., "Oral presentations will be scheduled for those offerors who have been notified by e-mail that their proposed technologies appear to be of "particular value" to the Navy."

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Question #7: Where can we link to relevant 6.1 work that can be applied to his 6.2 focused BAA?

Answer #7: Basic research areas of interest for the thrust managers can be found at http://www.onr.navy.mil/sci_tech/31/311/. In most cases, individual projects and details are not listed.

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Question #8: Will e-mail submissions for the white papers be considered for future BAAs? This process is becoming pretty standard across the government and is beneficial to all parties.

Answer #8: ONR is exploring options for electronic submission of white papers for future BAAs.

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Question #9: Do you have datasets available for information fusion that did not get adequately processed in the past? Do you have datasets available for plan recognition of intent?

Answer #9: We do have various data sets available for performers. However, they vary in content, and they are not necessarily ones that were inadequately analyzed in the past.

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Question #10: Are you willing to entertain proposals to BAA 07-008 that have a serious visualization component as part of the automated information integration?

Answer #10: A white paper with visualization as part of a methodology that addresses automated information integration can be submitted in response to the BAA.

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Question #11: I would like to know if a non-citizen (in the process of obtaining his permanent residency) faculty member from a US University can be a co-PI on a project funded by this BAA along with a US Citizen as a PI. Thank you in advance.

Answer #11: As stated in section III – Eligibility Information, "Only United States citizens are permitted to work on this effort due to export control restrictions." See page eleven (11) of the BAA.

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Question #12: We are mostly US citizens, but have a few people that are green card holders. Also, we have collaborators in Academia that are not US citizens. I would appreciate if you could clarify their eligibility in working on this project. Or under what circumstances they can contribute to the project?

Answer #12: As stated in section III – Eligibility Information, "Only United States citizens are permitted to work on this effort due to export control restrictions." See page eleven (11) of the BAA.

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(As of 07 February 2007)

Question #13: Who are the responsible Thrust Managers for the Automated Information Integration thrust area?

Answer #13: Please see the table on pages 9 and 10 of the BAA for this information.